



**RANCHERS EXPLORATION AND DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION**

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Mr. Mike Thompson  
Division of Oil, Gas & Mining  
State of Utah  
1588 West North Temple  
Salt Lake City, Utah 84116



Dear Mr. Thompson:

Thank you for visiting with me concerning our compliance with the Utah mining and reclamation laws.

As we have discussed, Ranchers is quite concerned with the confidential nature of the data which you have requested be supplied to you pursuant to the Board's regulation that letters of intention be submitted designating certain information to be supplied in exploration and assessment work. Thus, pursuant to law, we hereby require that all data submitted by us to you be held in strictest confidence and that no part thereof be disclosed to either private individuals or federal, state or other governmental agencies.

Therefore, pursuant to our agreement, prior to December 30, 1979 and prior to each succeeding January, Ranchers will prepare the quad map upon which the general areas to be drilled will be shaded so as to give your department general notice of the areas in which we are working.

By January 30, 1980 and by the end of each succeeding January, we will prepare a quad map showing the exact location of all exploratory wells drilled during the preceding calendar year. This will be accompanied by a short one- or two-paragraph narration as to the revegetation that was accomplished as well as the method of plugging for each well. In addition, if any water strata were encountered, the depth and quality of those formations will be discussed if such information is reasonably ascertainable by our crews.

We will try to abide by your guidelines for plugging test holes where this guideline seems appropriate for each particular hole.

If this conforms to your understanding of our discussion, please so advise me so that appropriate arrangements can be made by us to conform.

Sincerely,

Brad Cates  
Attorney at Law

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Route  
Make a file Exp/037/  
Also copy & file in  
Small Fry Mine File